

Bharatiya Temple of Lansing: Monthly Meeting			
March 5, 2017			
Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.			
Location: Temple Board Room			
Reported by : Dr. Narasimha Gundamraj			
Attendees			
X	Mrs. Meena Sharma	X	Mr. Ketan Patel
X	Mrs. Kiran Gupta	X	Mr. Mathi Ramachandran
	Mr. Rajat Shah	X	Mr. Ramesh Devaram
	Mr. Devesh Poddar		Mr. Bidhan Redey
		X	Mr. Narasimha Gundamraj

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
	Meeting Started with Pooja.	
	Approve February meeting minutes prepared by Dr. Narasimha Gundamraj	Mathiji proposed motion for approval of February meeting minutes. Board approved.
Temple Website	Addressed a devotee's letter about audio files missing from new website	Check if all board meeting minutes are there from 2016 Mathiji to check with Shiv Singh for adding audio files and reply to devotee. Mathiji to send email to Dr.Raj and Meenaji for temple email monitoring
Treasurer Update	Rameshji and Mathiji met with Madanji to figure out year ending priest tax receipts. 1099 provided to priests created by John Wanator accountant. Google wallet checked by Mathiji 2016 Audit in the works. Ajay Bharadwar agreed to help. Ameriprise account: \$1509.14. Board approved to sell the shares.	According to Mathiji, Google wallet wouldn't support non-profit organization. He is going to do more research on it. 2016 audit status to be checked again in May.

	<p>Ornaments audit to be done for this year.</p> <p>Board approved sale of small mangalsutras from previous years kalyanams to community.</p> <p>Bank Balances: Checking: \$57,857.12 Savings: \$ 80,121.52</p>	<p>Mathiji to audit ornaments with 2 community members.</p> <p>Board approved to assign Ramesh Devaram as acting treasurer and also gave access to the Fifth Third bank account.</p>
Fundraising Update	<p>Plaques for donors reaching life member and other status to be placed on the board in the lobby ordered.</p> <p>Fund raising update: Committee met with various community leaders to discuss plans for fundraising. Suggestions taken.</p> <p>Membership drive underway.</p> <p>Board approved advertisement on temple TV in the lobby and basement at 365 dollars per year.</p>	<p>Mathiji already ordered. He will fix it with the help of Ashokji, Rameshji and Shastriji.</p> <p>Dr. Raj will send message to Meenaji to E mail to community that they can advertise on the temple tv screen.</p>
Priest Committee update	<p>Shastriji wants vacation in April</p> <p>If priest is sick and there is a Pooja scheduled outside they should check with the board or priest committee.</p> <p>Making the community aware of priest availability online.</p>	<p>Priest committee to discuss with them.</p> <p>Website committee members will work with Shiv Singh.</p>
Maintenance Update	<p>Part of the audio system not functioning well.</p>	<p>Follow up with Sandip Shah and other audio experts in the community for new updated audio system.</p>

	<p>US Flag bought and needs installation.</p> <p>Need Router and modem to cover entire temple premises.</p> <p>Need brighter lights to brighten the area just below the elevated sanctum area approved by board. This area is frequently used by kids and dancers to perform during temple events. Funds to be collected.</p> <p>Om symbol approved by board. Ordered. Aditya and Ashok work on installation.</p> <p>Kitchen and bathroom updates Pradeepji and Bidhanji working on it.</p> <p>Smell at sanctum from drain</p>	<p>Ketanji will install US flag.</p> <p>Pratin Trivediji and Ketanji to check on router and wifi booster.</p> <p>Funds for lights. Ketanji and Meenaji to look into lights.</p> <p>Door stopper to be installed</p> <p>Ketanji to assess sanctum drain</p>
Puja Update	<p>Temple upcoming programs for March and April update given by Meenaji.</p> <p>Tuesday Hanuman Pooja to be continued as usual.</p> <p>About sending ICS message through temple email, Board Disapproved.</p> <p>Kalyani Vangalaji will hire audio and video person for Mathaki Chowki.</p>	
	Meeting ended with prayer	